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Re: K231096

Trade/Device Name: Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 876.5955
Regulation Name: Peritoneo-Venous Shunt
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: KPM
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Dear Joseph Ostendorf:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. Although this letter refers to your product as a device, please be aware that some cleared products may instead be combination products. The 510(k) Premarket Notification Database located at <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfpmn/pmn.cfm> identifies combination product submissions. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

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statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see <https://www.fda.gov/combination-products/guidance-regulatory-information/postmarketing-safety-reporting-combination-products>); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820) for devices or current good manufacturing practices (21 CFR 4, Subpart A) for combination products; and, if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

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For comprehensive regulatory information about medical devices and radiation-emitting products, including information about labeling regulations, please see Device Advice (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance>) and CDRH Learn (<https://www.fda.gov/training-and-continuing-education/cdrh-learn>). Additionally, you may contact the Division of Industry and Consumer Education (DICE) to ask a question about a specific regulatory topic. See the DICE website (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance/contact-us-division-industry-and-consumer-education-dice>) for more information or contact DICE by email (DICE@fda.hhs.gov) or phone (1-800-638-2041 or 301-796-7100).

Sincerely,


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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)
K231096

Device Name
Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System

Indications for Use (Describe)

The Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System is indicated for use in adult (>21 years of age) patients with

- chylothorax
- intractable aseptic pleural effusion

Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)

Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

Over-The-Counter Use (21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

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Pleural Dynamics, Inc.
510(k) Summary

This summary of 510(k) safety and effectiveness information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of SMDA 1990 and 21 CFR 807.92.

510(k) Number: K231096

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SUBJECT DEVICE

Trade/Device Name: Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System

Device Regulation Number: 21 CFR § 876.5955

Device / Regulation Name: Peritoneo-venous shunt

**Regulation Description /
Common Name:** Shunt, Peritoneal

Product Code: KPM

**Device Class / Regulation
Classification:** Class II

DEVICE DESCRIPTION (For the Device Subject to this 510(k) Premarket Notification)

The ACES System is an implanted pleural-peritoneal shunt system intended to palliate symptoms of recurrent pleural effusion, an accumulation of fluid in the cavity around the lungs.

The ACES System comprises a pump that is, generally, a resilient flexible bulb having an inlet and an outlet. The inlet is attached to a first fenestrated barium striped tube that extends from the inlet valve to the patient's pleural cavity. The outlet is connected to a second fenestrated barium striped tube that extends from the outlet valve to the patient's peritoneal cavity. Each one-way valve is connected to a single pump chamber with an internal automatic pump extension and external manual compression pump extension and an integrated implant securement flange for suture fixation in the muscular fascia. In use, the internal (intercostal) automatic (passive) pump extension is placed between adjacent ribs in the patient and the external (subdermal) manual compression (active) pump extension is positioned under the skin and external to the ribs.

Using a patient's own respiration, the internal automatic pump extension operates by being successively compressed and decompressed between adjacent ribs, as the patient breathes, whereby pumping the fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity, where it is naturally reabsorbed by the body. The external manual compression pump extension allows for intraprocedural priming of the pump chamber as well as manual compression by the patient, post procedurally, at will or as directed by their physician for movement of fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity.

INDICATIONS FOR USE (For the Device Subject to this 510(k) Premarket Notification)

The Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System is indicated for use in adult (>21 years of age) patients with

- chylothorax
- intractable aseptic pleural effusion

DEVICE CLASSIFICATION, INTENDED USE/INDICATIONS FOR USE, AND TECHNOLOGICAL AND PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS COMPARISONS

The following tables provide a side-by-side comparison of the ACES System to the predicate and reference devices to support this pre-market notification.

Device Classification Comparison				
	Subject Device K231096	Predicate Device K822686	Reference Device K012235	Reference Device K912645
Trade/Device Name:	Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System	Denver Peritoneo-Venous Shunt	Denver Pleural Effusion Shunt and Denver Pleural Effusion Shunt with External Pump Chamber	Atriums PDR Thoracic Catheter
Regulation Medical Specialty	Gastroenterology / Urology	Gastroenterology / Urology	Gastroenterology / Urology	General & Plastic Surgery
Device Regulation Number:	21 CFR § 876.5955	21 CFR § 876.5955	21 CFR § 876.5955	21 CFR § 878.4200
Device / Regulation Name:	Peritoneo-venous shunt	Peritoneo-venous shunt	Peritoneo-venous shunt	Introduction/drainage catheter and accessories
Regulation Description / Common Name:	Shunt, Peritoneal	Shunt, Peritoneal	Shunt, Peritoneal	Catheter, Ventricular, General & Plastic Surgery
Product Code:	KPM	KPM	KPM	GBS
Device Class / Regulation Classification:	Class II	Class II	Class II	Class I

Intended Use/Indications for Use Comparison				
	Subject Device K231096	Predicate Device K822686	Reference Device K012235	Reference Device K912645
Intended Use	The Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System is intended to move fluid from one location in the body to another.	The Denver Peritoneo-Venous Shunt is intended to move fluid from one location in the body to another.	The Denver Pleural Effusion Shunt is intended to move fluid from one location in the body to another.	The Atriums PDR Thoracic Catheter is intended to allow movement of fluid from the body.
Indications for Use	The Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt (ACES) System is indicated for use in adult (>21 years of age) patients with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chylothorax • intractable aseptic pleural effusion 	Unknown	The Denver Pleural Effusion Shunt is indicated for use in patients with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chylothorax • intractable aseptic pleural effusion The Denver Pleural Effusion Shunt with External Pump Chamber is indicated for adult, pediatric, and neonatal patients with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chylothorax • intractable aseptic pleural effusion 	Atrium thoracic catheters are intended to facilitate the evacuation of air and/or fluid from the chest cavity or mediastinum.

Technological and Performance Characteristics Comparison				
	Subject Device K230196	Predicate Device K822686	Reference Device K012235	Reference Device K912645
Manufacturer	Pleural Dynamics, Inc.	BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company)	BD (Becton, Dickinson and Company)	Atrium Medical Corporation (MAQUET Cardiovascular, LLC)
Construct	Single Pump Chamber with Double Valves and Pleural and Peritoneal Limbs	Single Pump Chamber with Valves with Peritoneal and Venous Limbs	Single Pump Chamber with Double Valves and Pleural and Peritoneal Limbs	Single Limb Tube
Materials of Construction	Pump Chamber: Silicone Limbs: Silicone with Barium Sulfate Stripe	Pump Chamber: Silicone Limbs: Silicone with Barium Sulfate Stripe	Pump Chamber: Silicone Limbs: Silicone with Barium Sulfate Stripe	Limb: Silicone or Polyvinyl Chloride with Radiopaque Stripe
Surface Treatment	Yes – Covalently Bonded Heparin Coating	Yes – Ionically Bonded Heparin	None Known	Yes – Covalently Bonded Heparin Coating

Technological and Performance Characteristics Comparison				
	Subject Device K230196	Predicate Device K822686	Reference Device K012235	Reference Device K912645
Placement Technique	Seldinger Technique	Seldinger Technique	Seldinger Technique	Surgical Technique
Design Intent	Placed internally, relative to the skin, with an extension of the pump chamber positioned between adjacent ribs to manage pleural effusion by moving fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity.	Placed internally or externally, relative to the skin, with a portion of the peritoneal tube positioned across the abdominal wall to manage ascites by moving fluid from the peritoneal cavity to the venous system.	Placed internally or externally, relative to the skin, with a portion of the pleural tube positioned between adjacent ribs to manage pleural effusion by moving fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity.	Placed partially internal and partially external, relative to the skin, with a portion of the tube positioned between adjacent ribs to drain the cavity by moving fluid or air from the pleural cavity to exterior of the body.
Principles of Operation	Pleural effusion shunts are permanently placed drainage management systems designed to move fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity.	Peritoneo-Venous shunts are permanently placed drainage management systems designed to move fluid from the peritoneal cavity to the venous system.	Pleural effusion shunts are permanently placed drainage management systems designed to move fluid from the pleural cavity to the peritoneal cavity.	Thoracic catheters are temporarily placed access devices designed to move fluid from the thorax to the exterior of the body.
Tubing Length	30 cm	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Tubing Inner Diameter	2.64 mm	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Tubing Outer Diameter	4.88 mm	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Pump Fluid Flow Rate	Automatic	250 – 750 mL/day	N/A	N/A
	Manual	Approximately 2 mL per complete pump compression	Unknown	Approximately 2 mL per complete pump compression
Implantable	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Single Patient Use	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Design Prevents Backflow	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Biocompatible	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Provided Sterile	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE TESTING AND STANDARDS

Performance testing was conducted to evaluate and characterize the performance of the device to support a determination of substantial equivalence to the predicate and reference devices, where applicable. A comparison was made against the predicate and reference devices, where data was available. The ACES System has undergone bench, biocompatibility, packaging, and sterilization testing to demonstrate the differences in technological characteristics do not raise different questions of safety and effectiveness.

Non-Clinical Performance Tests		
Test	Test Method Summary	Results and Conclusions
Simulated Use	Visual Inspection	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Pressure Testing	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Chamber Pumping (Automatic)	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Bulb Pumping (Manual)	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Chamber Flowrate (Automatic)	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Bulb Flowrate (Manual)	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Destructive	Tensile	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Burst	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Backflow	Backflow	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Securement	Suture Pull Out Force	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Coating	Vertical Pinch Test	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Coating Length Verification	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
	Toluidine Blue & Finger Rub Test	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Packaging	The packaged device and labeling shall withstand the conditions of ISTA 3A and ASTM D-4169; DC13; AL1 without loss of function, sterility, or legibility.	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Shelf-Life	The packaged device and labeling shall withstand simulated storage conditions without loss of function, sterility, or legibility.	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria
Sterilization	The sterilization process shall be validated to demonstrate a minimum of SAL of 10^{-6} for the product using Gamma radiation.	Pass – All samples passed the acceptance criteria

Biocompatibility		
Test	Test Summary	Conclusions
Cytotoxicity	MEM Elution Cytotoxicity Assay (ISO) (GLP)	Pass – Non-cytotoxic
Sensitization	Guinea Pig Maximization Test (ISO) Sensitization (GLP - 2 Extracts)	Pass – Non-sensitizer
Irritation or Intracutaneous Reactivity	Intracutaneous Reactivity Test (ISO) (GLP - 2 Extracts)	Pass – Non-irritant
Material Mediated Pyrogenicity	Material Mediated Pyrogenicity Test (ISO/USP) (GLP)	Pass – Non-pyrogenic
Acute Systemic Toxicity	Acute Systemic Toxicity Test (ISO) (GLP - 2 Extracts)	Pass – Non-toxic
Subacute/Subchronic Toxicity	(31-Day) Systemic Toxicity (Implant Method) and Implant Evaluation Test in Rabbits (ISO)	Pass – No systemic toxic effects were observed Pass – Slight reaction observed
Implantation Effects	(91-Day) Systemic Toxicity (Implant Method) and Implant Evaluation Test in Rabbits (ISO)	Pass – No systemic toxic effects were observed Pass – Slight reaction observed
Genotoxicity	Ames Bacterial Reverse Mutation Assay (ISO) (GLP - 2 Extracts)	Pass – Non-mutagenic
	Mouse Lymphoma Assay (ISO) (GLP - 2 Extracts)	Pass – Non-mutagenic
Chronic Toxicity	Not evaluated	The biocompatibility of the Automatic Continuous Effusion Shunt System has been evaluated to support an implant duration of 12 months, beyond which point it is recommended the device be removed.
Carcinogenicity		

BASIS FOR DETERMINATION OF SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCE

The Device Classification, Intended Use, and elements of the Fundamental Scientific Technology for the ACES System are the same as those described for the Predicate Device (K822686). The Surface Treatment is the same as that of the Reference Device (K912645). The Indications for Use and Principle of Operation is the same as that of the Reference Device (K012235).

The ACES System does not raise different questions regarding safety and effectiveness when compared to the predicate and reference devices and has been determined by Pleural Dynamics, Inc. to be substantially equivalent.

In summary, the ACES System has the same or similar following characteristics to the predicate and reference devices, which have previously received 510(k) clearance:

- Has the *same* device classification (Predicate Device K822686)
- Has the *same* intended use (Predicate Device K822686)
- Has the *similar* indications for use (Reference Device K012235)
- Uses *similar* technological and performance characteristics (Reference Device K012235)
- Uses the *similar* principles of operation (Reference Device K012235)
- *Same* special controls are met (Predicate Device K822686)

Therefore, the conclusions drawn from the non-clinical tests demonstrate the device is as safe, as effective, and performs as well as the legally marketed device predicate, and reference devices, where applicable, per 21 CFR 807.92(b)(3). The ACES System is substantially equivalent to the predicate device and reference devices, where applicable.

SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCE CONCLUSIONS

Through the thorough comparison of technological and performance characteristics, the subject device is determined to be substantially equivalent to the predicate device.